Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 20 May 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 21 May 2023

Forecast Issued on Friday 19 May 2023 at 14:25 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Medium over the weekend – lower regarding cloud detail and any rain. Then high for dry and sunnier conditions next week.

Headline for Saturday 20 May 2023: A mainly dry day, quite bright with some hazy sunny interludes. Some rain in the evening. Freshening breeze on the tops.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 20 May 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Partly cloudy (night)	Cloudy	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Cloudy	Light rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability							
10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	30%	40%

Forecast for Saturday 20 May 2023

Weather: Mainly dry, some bright spells and a few hazy sunny intervals. Then cloud thickening to bring patchy rain during the evening this becoming more persistent with a few heavier outbreaks possible mainly over the Cairngorms.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 90% falling 40% in the evening and 25% by midnight.

Low cloud and visibility: Patchy cloud above 1000m, with generally good visibility, then areas of cloud 750-1000m arriving later in the day, visibility falling moderate, locally poor in rain in evening.

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Forecast for Saturday 20 May 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	16/21 S	13/18 S	11/16 S	14/19 S	16/21 S	15/21 S	18/24 S	16/21 S	15/20 S
900	12/15 S	13/18 S	13/17 S	14/18 S	16/22 S	16/21 SW	18/24 SW	16/20 S	14/18 SW
600	6/9 SW	6/10 S	5/9 W	10/14 SW	13/18 SW	13/19 SW	13/19 SW	9/15 SW	6/10 SW
300	4/12 SW	5/12 SW	4/12 SW	7/13 SW	9/17 SW	9/18 SW	7/16 SW	4/11 SW	3/9 SW
Glen	2/10 SW	4/14 SW	4/14 SW	7/14 SW	7/16 SW	8/17 SW	6/15 SW	3/12 SW	3/11 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	4/-1	4/0	5/2	5/1	6/2	6/2	5/1	5/1	5/1
900	8/5	8/5	8/6	9/6	9/6	10/6	9/6	9/5	8/5
600	9/8	9/8	10/9	11/10	12/10	12/10	12/9	11/9	10/9
300	11/10	10/9	10/10	13/12	15/14	15/14	14/12	12/11	11/11
Glen	11/10	10/8	11/9	14/13	17/15	17/15	15/14	12/12	11/10
Freezing Level*	2200m	2400m	2500m	2400m	2500m	2600m	2600m	2500m	2400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Nothing extra

Forecast for Sunday 21 May 2023
Weather: Overcast with some light rain and drizzle.

Maximum wind: Variable 5-10mph

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: Less than 20%.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive low cloud at 450-750m.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 10 rising to Plus 14 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 8 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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